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REMARKS

To comply with Examiner's suggestion, Applicants hereby submit Supplemental Declarations under C.F.R. § 1.132 from each inventor to address the issues raised by Examiner in the telephone conversation on January 5, 2007. Specifically, the two inventors, Darren L. Abramson, and John S. Howard, declare that they conceived the subject matter described in section 4.8.2 (p.68 – 70) of the Enhanced Host Controller Interface Specification for Universal Serial Bus ("EHCI") cited by Examiner in the Office Action mailed August 24, 2006. Furthermore, Darren L. Abramson, and John S. Howard declare that the nine other authors of the EHCI provided only review and comments on the section 4.8.2 of the EHCI that was written by Darren L. Abramson, and John S. Howard. Finally, the contributions of the nine other authors were limited to subject matter that is not claimed in the patent application. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the Supplemental Declarations submitted herewith.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-30 patentably define the subject invention over the cited references of record, and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If Examiner believes a telephone conference would be useful in moving the case forward, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17, particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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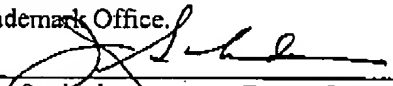
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Attachments (2): Supplemental Declaration of Darren L. Abramson under 37 CFR § 1.132.
Supplemental Declaration of John S. Howard under 37 CFR § 1.132.